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Hon. P. Kevin Castel  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Courtroom 11D  
New York, NY 10007-1312

Re: Sterling Corporate Tax Credit Fund v. Rip Van Winkle Associates, LLC  
Civil Action No. 1:20-cv-6136

Dear Judge Castel:

We represent defendant Rip Van Winkle Associates, LLC ("RVW") in connection with the above-referenced matter, and write jointly, on behalf of all parties, to respectfully request: (1) a two (2) week extension, from October 20, 2020 to November 4, 2020, of RVW's time to answer, move, or otherwise respond to plaintiffs' complaint dated August 5, 2020 (the "Complaint"); and (2) a concomitant adjournment of the initial pre-trial conference currently scheduled for November 2, 2020. The parties remain engaged in settlement discussions and jointly make this request so that they can continue those discussions in earnest, and potentially avoid the need for further litigation. This is the parties' second joint request for such relief.

We thank the Court for its time and attention regarding these matters.

Very truly yours,

By: /s/ Scott R. Landau

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Attorney for Rip Van Winkle Associates LLC

cc: Michael Taitelman, Esq. (via ECF and email)  
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*Time to answer extended  
to November 4. Conference  
adjourned from November 2 to  
December 17, 2020 at 11:30a.m.  
telephonically.  
SO ORDERED  
USD  
10-16-20*